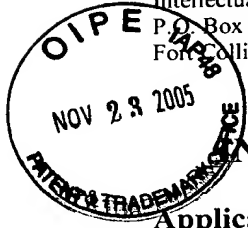


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Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action mailed on August 23, 2005, and prior to examination of the above-identified application, kindly consider the following remarks.

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